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1. BEGIN LOU: THE NICARAGUAN PRESS HAS NOT FOCUSED ON THE MERTIS OF THE BARCENAS-ESGUERRA TREATY OF 1928 WITHIN THE LAST FEW MONTHS, ALTHOUGH ARTICLES DID APPEAR EARLIER IN 1977. IT IS DOUBTFUL THAT THE GON HAS EVER SERIOUSLY CONSIDERED THE ABROGATION OF THE TREATY, BUT RATHER THEY ARE USING IT AS A THREAT IN THE HOPE OF INFLUENCING NEGOTIATIONS CONCERNING OTHER CONTESTED AREAS OFF NICARAGUA'S ATLANTIC COAST. END LOU.

2. THE ONLY ADVICE THE EMBASSY CAN OFFER FISHERMEN WHO SEEK LOBSTER NEAR SAN ANDRES IS TO ENSURE THAT THEIR BOATS REMAIN IN COLUMBIAN WATERS AND DO NOT STRAY INTO NICARAGUAN WATERS. IF APPREHENDED IN NICARAGUAN WATERS WITH ONLY A COLUMBIAN FISHING PERMIT, THE BOAT WOULD BE SUBJECT TO IMPOUNDAGE AND A STIFF FEE WOULD HAVE TO BE PAID

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BEFORE ITS RELEASE. IF A FISHERMAN WISHES TO OPERATE IN NICARAGUAN WATERS OR TO LAND HIS CATCH IN NICARAGUA, THE EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT HE CONTACT THE DIRECCION DE RECURSOS NATURALES (DIRECTORATE OF NATIONAL RESOURCES) OF THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMY TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF OBTAINING A NICARAGUAN FISHING PERMIT.

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